

March 2, 1978

LB 618, 829

SENATOR BRENNAN: I move we raise the Call.

PRESIDENT: Record your vote. Please vote. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 12 ayes, 15 nays to raise the Call, Mr. President.

SENATOR BRENNAN: I'd like a record vote, if you can get them back in here.

PRESIDENT: All right. It will be a record vote. No. It's already been cancelled. LB 618.

CLERK: Read title to LB 618. The bill was read on January 4, 1978. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are no amendments pending, Mr. President.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, on the face of this bill is stamped "no fiscal impact". I hope that it will have a fiscal impact on a vicious group of individuals called pimps. This is a bill which would grant immunity to a prostitute who would testify against her pimp. That is all that the bill says. If her testimony is used, in one of these prosecutions, to convict one of these individuals then none of that testimony could be used against her. The bill is seven lines long. It is noncontroversial as far as I know. The only thing that might raise a question in your mind, and I have to be honest with you, is that the City Prosecutor of Omaha and I both testified for this bill. If you have any questions I will answer them.

PRESIDENT: Senator Shirley Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President, I stand to support LB 618. I hope you will quickly move it forward.

PRESIDENT: The question is the advancement of this bill. Record your vote. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. LB 829.

CLERK: Read title to LB 829. The bill was read on January 13, 1978. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee. It was advanced to General File. There are no amendments pending.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is a rather distasteful subject, but one that I'm sure that is close and near and dear to the hearts of all of us. This is a bill that deals with little people, or children. It deals with the subject of child pornography. I'd like to preface my remarks by saying that I am happy to say that in the State of Nebraska, presently, this is not a problem. It is, however, in other states. My concern is that as these other states enact comprehensive laws to deal with this subject, that those that would deal in this type of material in the commercial and sexual abuse of children, will look for other markets. I'm convinced that these degenerate individuals will not go underground in the states in which they are operating, because the penalties, and the way of imprisonment, and fines are quite high. They, then, will seek